



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :  
Takashi Ono, et al. : Atty Docket: 19546.0044  
Application No. 10/798,851 :  
Filed: March 12, 2004 : Art Unit: 3661  
Examiner: TBD

For: **AREA INFORMATION PROVISION SYSTEM AND METHOD**

**PETITION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEMS**  
**IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

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Sir:

This Petition is in response to the Notice of Omitted Items in a Nonprovisional Application that was mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 23, 2004 in the above-referenced matter (copy enclosed). Applicant respectfully submits that Figures 7-18 were filed along with the nonprovisional application papers on March 12, 2004. Applicants provide as proof of submission:

1. A copy of the File Stamped- post card that records the filing date of March 12, 2004 listing 15 sheets of drawings;
2. A copy of the Transmittal sheet filed March 12, 2004 listing 15 sheets of drawings; and
3. Copies of Figures 7-18

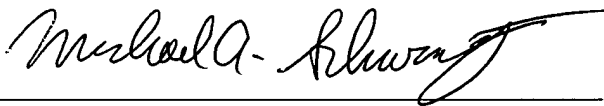
These documents show that applicant filed 15 sheets of drawings. The last nine sheets of the originally filed 15 sheets included Figures 7-18.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$130 fee under 37 CFR 1.17(h), outlined in the Notice of September 23, 2004. However, Applicant understands that the petition fee will be refunded once it is determined that the items were received by the USPTO on the date that the application was filed.

Please charge and any additional fees incurred for this petition or credits to Deposit Account No. 195127, Order No. 19546.0044.

Respectfully submitted,  
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## NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

## FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 7-18 described in the specification.

I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if it is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.

II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$) 130

**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/798,851
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Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>					<b>(\$ 0)</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

Total Claims:  - \*\* =  X  =

Independent Claims:  - \*\* =  X  =

Multiple Dependent:  X  =

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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20	
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3	
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	
<b>SUBTOTAL (2)</b>					<b>(\$ 0)</b>

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**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	130
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17 (q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
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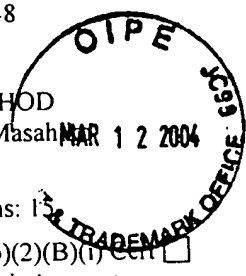
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Atty Docket No.: 19546.0044	Priority Date: March 27, 2003	Priority App. No. 2003-088548
Client Ref: 02-95636K	U.S.	Application
Title: AREA INFORMATION PROVISION SYSTEM AND METHOD		
Applicant(s): Takashi ONO; Shingo FUJIMOTO; Jun KAKUTA; Masaharu MURAKAMI; Sumiyo OKADA; and Akinori IWAKAWA		
Specification: 31 pgs.	Abstract: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Claims: 15
Drawings 15 sheet(s)	Formal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	122(b)(2)(B)(i) <input type="checkbox"/>
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Fig. 7

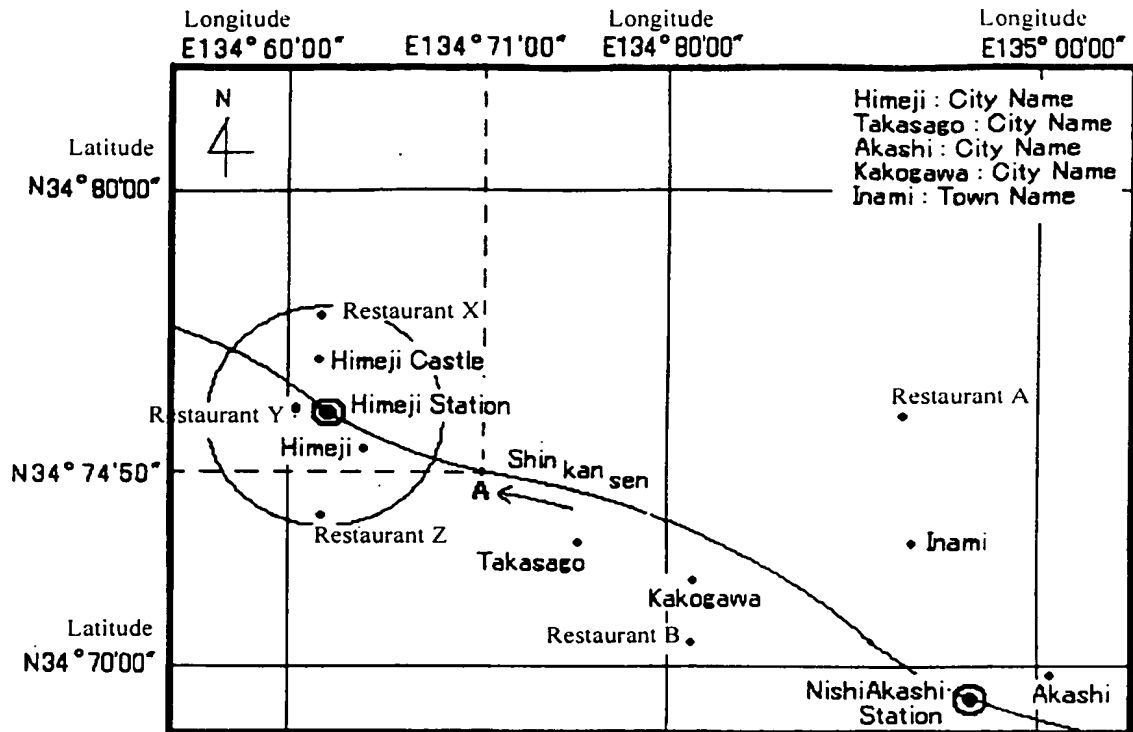


Fig. 8

10 February 2003 schedule			
Time	Place	Content	Remarks
10:00			
10:20	Kyoto		
10:40			
11:00	In transit		
11:20			
11:40	Himeji		
12:00	↓		
12:20	Nearby restaurant	Lunch	
12:40			
13:00	↓ Transit		
	Himeji Hall	Listen to lecture	Lecture by Mr. _____ of _____ University



Fig. 9

Area information for the vicinity of Himeji Station (within 1 km)

1. Restaurant Y

Business hours: 10:00–23:00

Directions: Just left on Station-front road.

Alongside Yamada Police Station.

Description: The specialty is sea bream caught in Akashi. Prices are reasonable, too.

2. ....

Stores which have a regular holiday today or which are currently outside business hours have not been displayed.

Figure 9

Fig. 10

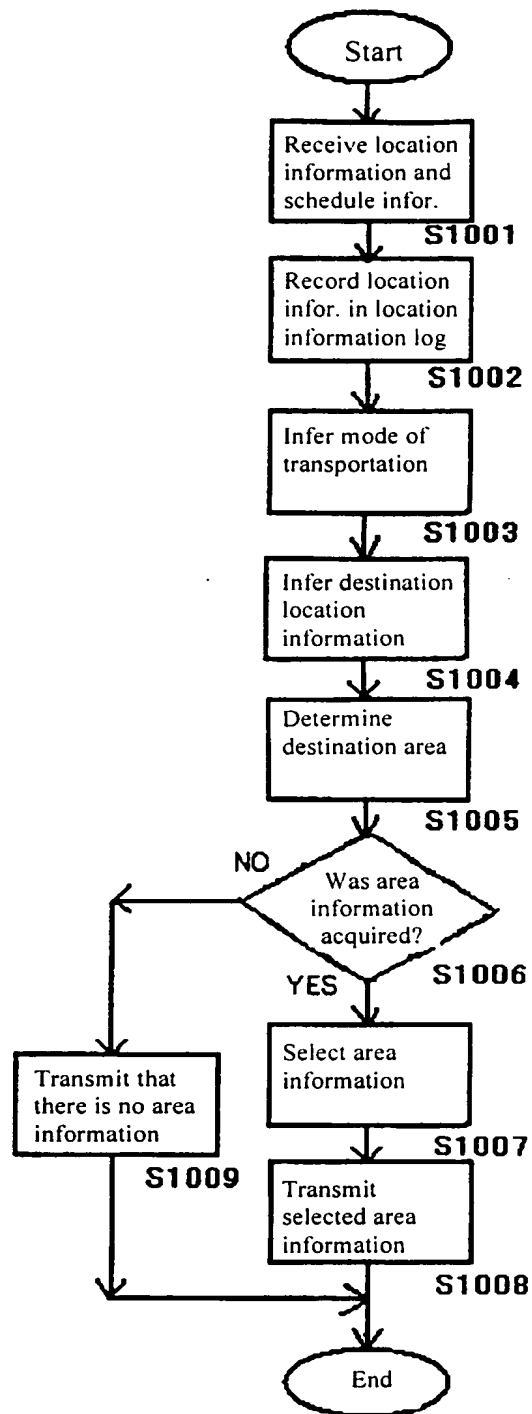


Fig. 11

Acquisition date	Acquisition time	Latitude	Longitude	Estimated travel speed	Travel direction
10 February 2003	10:40:20	N34°82'22"	E135°63'89"	210 km/h	Southwest
10 February 2003	10:50:20	N34°78'12"	E135°48'23"	207 km/h	South-southwest
10 February 2003	11:00:20	Acquisition failed	Acquisition failed	---	---
10 February 2003	11:10:19	N34°70'89"	E134°93'78"	185 km/h	West
10 February 2003	11:20:20	N34°74'50"	E134°71'00"	179 km/h	West-southwest
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Fig. 12

Location information	Travel speed (km/h)	Inferred mode of transportation
On expressway	---	Car, bus, motorcycle
On road other than expressway	151 or more	Car
	41-150	Car, bus, motorcycle
	11-40	Car, bus, motorcycle, bicycle
	0-10	Car, bus, motorcycle, bicycle, walking
On rail line	151 or more	Shinkansen
	0-150	Electric train
At sea	Less than 100	Ship
---	400 or more	Airplane
In facility	---	Walking
Seashore/mountain path	---	Walking

Fig. 13

Station name	...	Hikari 9876	Kodama5432	Nozomi1098	Hikari1234	...
.	...	.	.	.	.	...
.	...	.	.	.	.	...
Kyoto	...	8:20	9:00	10:23	10:10	...
ShinOosaka	...	8:40	9:23	10:39	10:30	...
ShinKobe	...	8:55	9:40	--	10:45	...
NishiAkashi	...	--	9:58	--	--	...
Himeji	.	9:25	10:18	11:18	11:12	.
Aioi	.	9:40	10:37	--	11:27	.
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Fig. 14

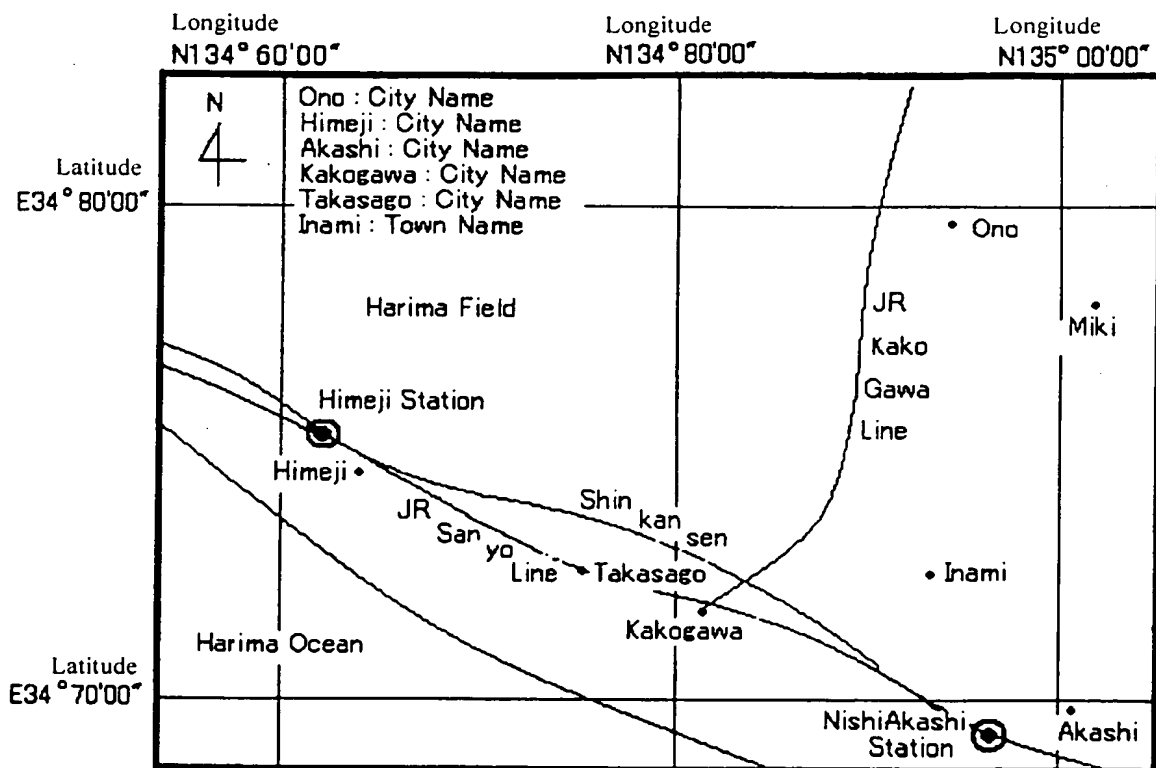


Fig. 15

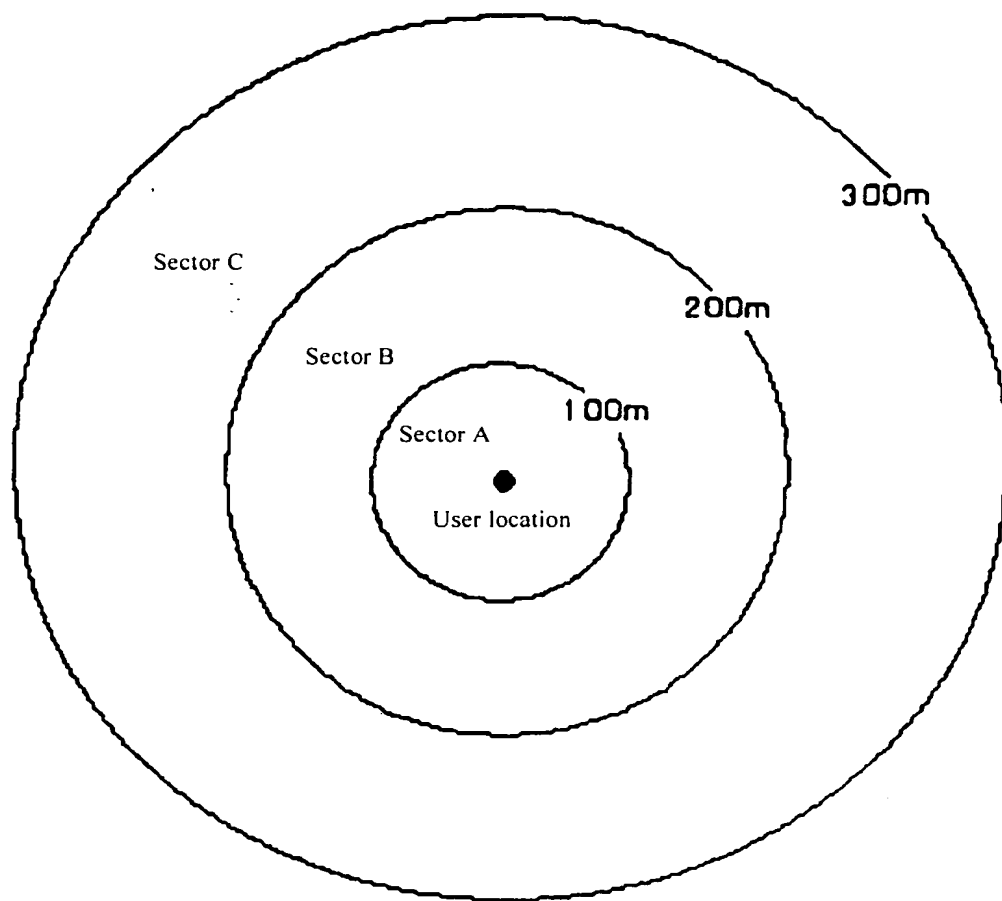
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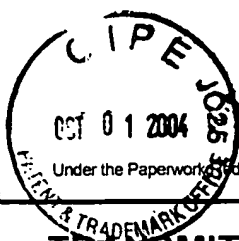
Fig. 16

Current mode of transportation	Specific location information	Travelable distance
Car (expressway)	Next interchange	Within 5 km
Car (regular road)	10 km ahead in direction of travel	Within 5 km
Motorcycle (regular road)	10 km ahead in direction of travel	Within 5 km
Walking	Current location	Within 1 km
Electric train	Next stop	Within 1 km
Shinkansen	Next stop	Within 1 km
Ship	Next anchorage	Within 1 km
Airplane	Airport of next landing	Within 1 km
Bus	Next stop	Within 1 km
Bicycle	Current location	Within 2 km



Fig. 18





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		First Named Inventor	Takashi Ono
		Art Unit	3661
		Examiner Name	TBD
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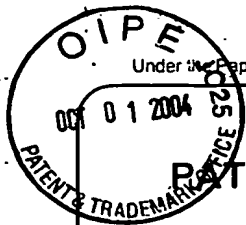
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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.	19546.0044
First Inventor	Takashi ONO
Title	AREA INFORMATION PROVISION SYSTEM AND METHOD
Express Mail Label No.	

### APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
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2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 31 ]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
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  - Brief Summary of the Invention
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11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
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Art Unit: \_\_\_\_

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